

us, till he perceived by our confidence, that we were no Spaniards₃ and conjectured we were those Englishmen, of whom he had heard long before. • And being in great want, and desirous to be relieved by us: he bare up under our lee, and in token of amity, shot off his lee ordnance, which was not unanswered.

We understood that he was TETT&, a French Captain of New-haven [*Havre*] *SL* Man-of-war as we were, desirous to be relieved by us. For at our first meeting, the French Captain cast abroad his hands, and prayed our Captain to help him to some water, for that he had nothing but wine and cider aboard him, which had brought his men into great sickness. He had sought us ever since he firstheard of our being upon the coast, about this five weeks. Our Captain sent one aboard him with some relief for the present, willing him to follqw us to ,the next port, where he should have both water and victuals.

At our coming to anchor, he sent our Captain a \case of pistols, and a fair gilt scimitar (which had been the late King's of France [HENRY IIL], whom Monsieur jMoNT-GOMERY hurt in the eye, and was given him by Mcpnsieur STROZZE). Our Captain requited him with a chain oljf gold, and a tablet which he wore.

• This Captain reported unto us the first news olf the Massacre of Paris, at the King of NAVARRE'S marriage on Saint Bartholomew's Day last, [24 August, 1572]; Of the Admiral of France slain in his chamber, and divers lother murders : so that he " thought those Frenchmen the happiest which were farthest from France, now no longer France but 'Frensy, even as if all Gaul were turned into wormwood' and gall: Italian practices having over-mastered the French simplicity." He showed what famous and often reporte he had heard of our great riches. He desired to know of* our Captain which way he might " compass " his voyage alsb.

Though we had seen him in some jealousy and distrust, for all his pretence; because we considered more the strength he had than the good-will -he might bear us: yet upon con-'Sultation among ourselves, " Whether it were fit to receive him or not?" we resolved to take him and twenty of his jnen, to serve with our Captain for halves. In such sort as we needed not doubt of their forces, being but twenty; nor be hurt by their portions, being no .greater than ours: and yet